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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for:

Stephen J. Ruiz

Serial No. 09/716,113

Filed: November 16, 2000

For: **AERODYNAMIC STANDOFFS TO  
AIR COOL DISC TYPE AUTO BRAKE  
ROTORS**

Examiner: X. Nguyen

Art Group: 3613

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Commissioner:

In connection with the Office Action mailed November 8, 2001 regarding the above-referenced application, Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the amendments and following remarks below.

ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has restricted the invention into three species, as follows:

- I. Species A is drawn to Figures 3 and 13.
- II. Species B is drawn to Figure 7.
- III. Species C is drawn to Figure 11.

In response, Applicant has elected prosecution on Species A with traverse. The claims associated with Species A are 1-3, 5-6, 21-23, and 25-26.

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